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crops rather than upon the value of such lands and the crop growing thereon."

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1970, at which election the ballots shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the Legislature to provide by law for the establishment of a uniform method of assessment of ranch, farm and forest lands, which shall be based upon the capability of such lands to support the raising of livestock and/or to produce farm and forest crops."

Sec. 3. The publication of this amendment shall be limited to Sections 1 and 2 of this Resolution.

Passed the Senate on May 5, 1969: Yeas 28, Nays 0; passed the House on May 29, 1969: Yeas 105, Nays 24, and 7 present not voting.

Signed by the Governor June 18, 1969.

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## PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, SPEAKER AND OTHER MEMBERS OF LEGISLATURE

S. J. R. No. 31

Proposing an amendment to Section 24, Article III, Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to compensation of the lieutenant governor, the speaker, and other members of the legislature.

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

Section 1. That Section 24, Article III, Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended to read as follows:

"Section 24. The Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each receive from the Public Treasury an annual salary in an amount to be fixed by the Legislature, not to exceed one-half the annual salary of the Governor. Each other member of the Legislature shall receive from the Public Treasury an annual salary to be fixed by the Legislature, not to exceed the annual salary paid to a district judge from state funds. Members of the Legislature shall also receive a per diem of not exceeding Twelve Dollars (\$12) per day during each Regular and Special Session of the Legislature. No Regular Session shall be of longer duration than one hundred and forty (140) days.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on August 5, 1969, at which election the ballots shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing that the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall receive a salary fixed by the Legislature, not to exceed one-half the salary of the Governor; providing that the Legislature shall fix the salary of the other members, not to exceed that received by a

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district judge from state funds; and removing the 120-day limitation on per diem for regular sessions."

Passed the Senate on April 14, 1969: Yeas 26, Nays 1; adopted by the House on April 16, 1969: Yeas 115, Nays 29.

Signed by the Governor April 17, 1969.

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## PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—HOMESTEAD— EXEMPTION FROM FORCED SALE

S. J. R. No. 32

Proposing an amendment to Section 51, Article XVI, Constitution of the State of Texas increasing the value of the homestead which is exempt from forced sale.

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

Section 1. That Section 51, Article XVI, Constitution of the State of Texas be amended to read as follows:

"Section 51. The homestead, not in a town or city, shall consist of not more than two hundred acres of land, which may be in one or more parcels, with the improvements thereon; the homestead in a city, town or village, shall consist of lot, or lots, not to exceed in value Ten Thousand Dollars, at the time of their designation as the homestead, without reference to the value of any improvements thereon; provided, that the same shall be used for the purposes of a home, or as a place to exercise the calling or business of the head of a family; provided also, that any temporary renting of the homestead shall not change the character of the same, when no other homestead has been acquired."

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1970, at which election the ballots shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment increasing the value of the homestead which is exempt from forced sale."

Passed the Senate on May 20, 1969: Yeas 30, Nays 1; passed the House on May 29, 1969: Yeas 129, Nays 12.

Signed by the Governor June 18, 1969.